

ADDITIONAL COSPONSOR—S. 1167

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Mr. CRAPO of Idaho be added as a cosponsor of S. 1167, a bill to amend the Pacific Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Act to provide for expanding the scope of the Independent Scientific Review Panel.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, seeing no Senator seeking recognition, I make a point of order a quorum is not present.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

J.J. "JAKE" PICKLE FEDERAL BUILDING

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate now proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 111, S. 559.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 559) to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building."

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the bill be considered read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

Mr. REID. Reserving the right to object, and I will not object, it is a pleasure for me to not object in this matter. I had the pleasure of serving in the House of Representatives with Congressman Pickle. He was a senior Member at the time. He was one of the ranking members, one of the senior members of the Ways and Means Committee; a very fine Texan and a great American.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I associate myself with the remarks of my distinguished good friend and colleague, the assistant Democratic leader. I also knew the Congressman. I think this is a most fitting tribute to a long and dedicated public servant.

Mr. REID. Again reserving the right to object, which I will not, he came here as an aide to President Johnson when President Johnson was a Member of the Senate, a staff member.

Mr. WARNER. Very interesting.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 559) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed; as follows:

S. 559

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION.

The Federal Building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, shall be known and designated as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building".

SEC. 2. REFERENCES.

Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Federal building referred to in section 1 shall be deemed to be a reference to the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building".

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations on the Executive Calendar, Calendar Nos. 92, 93, and 94.

I finally ask unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, any statements relating to the nominations be printed in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Thomas J. Erickson, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the term expiring April 13, 2003.

ARMY

The following named officer for appointment as the Chief of Staff United States Army, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 601 and 3033:

To be general

Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, 0000.

MARINE CORPS

The following named officer for appointment as Commandant of the Marine Corps, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 601 and 5043:

To be general

Lt. Gen. James L. Jones, Jr., 0000.

NOMINATION OF GEN. ERIC K. SHINSEKI

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, the Senate Armed Services Committee reviewed the qualifications of General Shinseki. It was a memorable day. One of our most distinguished and revered colleagues, the senior Senator from Hawaii, introduced General Shinseki. I have said previously that it was one of the most moving statements I have ever heard by a Senator in my 21 years. I placed the statement of Senator INOUE in the RECORD of Wednesday, June 9, 1999, at Page S6813, and I urge all Senators to look at that. It was, indeed, one of the most extraordinary statements on behalf of another individual that I have ever witnessed.

Basically, Senator INOUE referred back to 1942, the year in which General

Shinseki was born. At that time, Senator INOUE was volunteering to serve in the U.S. Army. It was a very personal and moving statement, and I urge all Senators to look at it.

As chairman, I asked Senator CLELAND to note his signature on the nomination of the Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, given his most distinguished career as a soldier serving this Nation in the cause of freedom.

NOMINATION OF LT. GEN. JAMES L. JONES, JR.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I had the privilege of introducing on the same day General Jones to become the next Commandant of the Marine Corps, succeeding General Krulak who discharged the responsibilities of the Office of Commandant with great credit to the Nation and to himself. He is a most distinguished officer. His father served in World War II in the Marine Corps. His father served in the Pacific as a senior three-star Marine officer just before I became Under Secretary of the Navy. The Krulak family is a proud family, and they have done much for our Nation and, indeed, for the Marine Corps.

General Jones served in the Senate in the Marine Corps liaison office. Thereafter, he continued a most distinguished career. His last post as a lieutenant general was the principal military adviser—of course, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs is the principal military adviser—but General Jones on the immediate staff of the Secretary of Defense, our former colleague, Mr. Cohen, was the principal adviser on his personal staff.

This is recognition, again, of a distinguished marine who likewise had a family member, an uncle, who was a highly decorated marine in World War II. It is continuity in the Corps for those like myself, I say with great humility, who had the opportunity to serve at one time in the Marine Corps. It is a proud day today for the U.S. Marine Corps, for the soon retirement of the most distinguished Commandant and succession of General Jones whose potential equals any Commandant who ever served in that office in the history of this country.

I asked that Senator ROBERTS pen his signature on the nomination of General Jones to be Commandant. Again, Senator ROBERTS is a former marine.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES— S. 96

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that with respect to the Y2K legislation, the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.